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1. Mr. Kennedy, Chief Counsel of the Senate Investigations Committee, together with Mr. Paul Kamerick and Donald O'Donnell of his staff, 25X1  
lunched at CIA today and reported on the trip to Europe of Messrs. Kamerick  
and O'Donnell. Mr. Kirkpatrick, John Baker, [ ] and Legislative  
Counsel were present. Messrs. Kamerick and O'Donnell reiterated how  
helpful CIA had been on their trip. They have not yet completed sifting their 25X1  
notes to determine whether they have any material for a hearing, but are  
inclined to think in the negative on this point. They were particularly  
interested in Soviet efforts to secure redefections from refugees and escapees,  
but were able to find very little first hand information other than some source  
material supplied them by RFE. They will let us know if they need additional 25X1  
information for their report.

2. Mr. John Baker, Chief of the PP Staff, discussed with me cer-  
tain problems arising out of the prospective utilization of [ ]  
[ ] on a special PP project.

3. Former Senator Guy Gillette (D., Ia.), as Counsel of the Sub-  
committee on Government Employees Security Program of the Senate Post  
Office & Civil Service Committee, has written the Director requesting copies  
of all CIA "instructions, orders or inter-office memoranda" issued by CIA  
in carrying out Executive Order 10450 and P.L. 733 (on employee loyalty).  
(See Legislative Counsel's Journal of 23 February 1955, Item No. 4). I have  
asked the Security Office to review the CIA regulation on Executive Order  
10450 to see whether it could be released without hampering security if the  
DCI determines that such release would be advisable.

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